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PROBABLY TAFT'S CHOICE REASONS FOR GRATITUDE

# HEMERY IS AHEAD IN BIG MOTOR RACE Pending Negotiations With

Nazarro in Second Place Crowding Leader Hard.

Duel From Start Between German and Italian Cars.

HUNDRED MILES AN HOUR MADE

High Speed on Straightaway-Seventy Miles Is Average

Pace of Leaders.

a dense fog that covered the course like prize race of 402 miles was run here to-

Twenty powerful racing cars, fourteen of them of foreign make, were sent plunging into the fog banks at 9:45 o'clock. Despite the hazard of the gray mist the drivers hurled their throbbing machines over the slippery, oiled roadways at an average speed varying from 66 to 70 miles an hour, with straightaway flights between the curves of 100 miles and more. The race soon developed into a fight between the Italian Fiats and the German

Benz cars. For the first 125 miles the issue of the lead lay between four cars De Palma, in the Fiat No. 18, dashed into the lead at the start and held it for

when tire troubles held him back. Henriot, in the German Benz No. 15, jumped then to the lead and held it until the eighth lap.

Then Wagner, in the Fiat No. 14, by the utmost daring, sent his car from fifth to first place. Hemery, in the German Benz No. 8, was second at this period, with

Wagner was delayed for supplies on the ninth lap, and the race was so close that he dropped from first to third place.

The American cars in the race did not have a chance with their speedy foreign rivals after the first four laps had ended. A day of briffiant sunshine and blue followed the fog of the morning.

#### First Grand Prize Contest Ever Held in United States

SAVANNAH, Ga., November 26.-Down a vista of 402 miles of circling roadway. in its invitation to that headlong speed which carries always its inseparable menbrought together, lined up for the start and are now rushing around the track at lightning speed in the first American

Conducted under the auspices of the Automobile Club of America with the sanction and approval of the European racing associations, today's grand prize has taken rank with the most notable of motor events on either side of the Atlantic, and is the longest and most difficult race ever arranged in this country. Notable for the spectacular fame of the ward to as setting a new record of speed cordon of militiamen thrown about the the drivers of the competing cars have been given the protection of an absolutely clear pathway. All the sharp turns have been heavily banked and cemented, and record-breaking speed has been done.

### Course Over Good Roads.

operating with the Automobile Club of America, has had charge of the preparation of the course, which lies partly in the city limits, but runs most of its disance over the convict-built roads of

The Savannah Automobile Club, co-

to witness the flight of the racing cars one of the picturesque features of the York to the Vanderbilt cup course on with touring cars and thousands of acetylene lamps throwing their pierc- cover the value of the land. ing rays through the mists of that early morning journeys unnecessary.

The course laid out for to-day's race has few equals in its wealth of scenic beauty. There are frequent long stretches that will permit of the use of the last ounce of power in each throbbing engine and where the drivers One Confesses He Held Light While have predicted that more than 100 miles an hour will be attained. At other points there are difficult and

sinuous serpentine pathways that will test to the fullest the capabilities of the men at the wheels. The course charged with the murder of former Sherhas no "hairpin turn" so famous along iff R. W. Drake near Laneville, Ala. One Cruiser Tacoma Going to Seat of the Vanderbilt route, but it has an of the negroes confessed and implicated enter the long home stretch where probably the fastest time of the race will be accomplished

left around a nearby turn and enters the four-mile straightaway of white bluff road. Under a canopy of overhanging live oak trees heavily draped term of court to try the negroes because Haiti, and it is expected that a battle will the twilight shade of the dense and

picturesque foliage. From the white bluff road the course leads through lanes of deciduous trees. just finding their vari-colored tints of feet in width, was cut through a vir-

autumn, and then enters the three miles and a half of arrow-flight speedway offered by the specially construct- which the emperor is suffering continues real condition of affairs. Mr. Furniss, the ed Ferguson avenue. This road, sixty to take its normal course. gin forest and is lined on either side by stalwart pines.

The course leads next through lanes of palmetto palms by broad and silvery tidal bers dynamited the vault at the Towarda

streams, where the air is redolent of the State Bank, at Towanda, twenty miles ries a battery of ten guns. In case it is tang of the sea, through the front yards east of Wichita, secured \$2,500, and esof complacent citizens, in and out among caped on a handcar with a posse in pur-(Continued on Nineteenth Page.)

# POLICY IN THE EAST

Japan Rumored.

OFFICIALS ARE RETICENT

AMERICANS ARE NOT IN IT Believed That Diplomatic Notes Will Be Exchanged.

BENEFICIAL EFFECT EXPECTED

Thought That a Definite Pronouncement Will Give Impetus to the World's Development.

TOKIO, November 26.-Persistent rumors declaring that negotiations are now in progress at Washington between Ambas-SAVANNAH, November 26.-Delayed sador Takahira and Secretary of State forty-five minutes in starting because of Root looking to the interchange of diplomatic notes definitely outlining policies a wet blanket, the first American grand of both countries in regard to the Pacific and China have equal opportunity of finding credence among the newspapers here whose sources of information are generally excellent. One man who may be considered an authority on official matters declared today that he has reason to believe that such notes had already actually been exchanged at Washington, but inquiries at the foreign office, while failing to elicit a flat denial of the report, cannot be said to have brought out a direct confirmation. The officials of the American embassy are also preserving a discreet silence and no information could be

These rumors are being widely discussed in Tokio, and it may be said that the consensus of opinion tends toward a full belief that the pending exchange of such notes is a well founded report.

A former member of the cabinet and a man who held a high position under the former ministry said today:

"I am not in the confidence of the present ministry concerning every step that is taken, but I have reason to believe that the report that an exchange of notes at Washington is pending is well founded. Every one will be pleased to receive news of the sealing of such a pact of friendthe race half over, and Nazarro in a ship between the two countries, as it will forever silence the mischlef-makers and calamity howlers who for the past two friction between America and Japan. A pronouncement which would definitely Hemery, in the Benz No. 8, the favorite state the policies of both countries as to in the betting, took the lead for the first the Pacific and Chinese commerce genertime, and Nazarro, in the Fiat No. 6, took ally would give great impetus to the peaceful development of the entire civilized world. I devoutly hope that the rumors are true."

### URGED BY PILLSBURY.

Admiral Advocates Purchase Jamestown Exposition Site.

Jamestown exposition for use in the es- outbreak. sleek with oil and dangerously alluring tablishment of a naval training station. A conference has been arranged today political conditions in his state. "The Chesapeake bay," he says, "is the between the Lithuanian priests of this natural place of assembly for our Atlan- district and Bishop McCaul of Trenton, ace to life and limb, twenty of the most tic fleet. Its anchorages are deep, they and it is expected that they will be able daring drivers of racing automobiles this are fairly well protected from wind and to prevail upon the strikers to arbitrate newest of pulse-quickening sports has ever weather, and its strategic position is the best on the coast, when we consider the the Mayor of Perth Amboy, the officers of possible theaters of action in war or the the National Fireproofing Company and grand prize race today, the goal glittering duty of the fleet in time of peace. To representatives of the strikers. with a cup of beaten gold and a purse of the northward of its entrance the ports strikers who were shot yesterday during in which a fleet of battleships, with its the hospital. attending cruisers and auxiliaries, can anchor are but very few. South of the which nearly precipitated a famine last Chesapeake entrance there is none on night, was removed today when a comour coast. Hampton roads provides sufficient anchorage for such a fleet, and it should have near at hand a proper accommodation for recruits and other endrivers and the records of victories behind listed men that may be there assembled, ready to fill the ships with their comple-

a training station; it is conveniently sit- leaves today for his home at Hongkong. uated to Hampton roads; it has a large Before his departure, Mr. Ling addressed basin which was built at the government's a letter to Mr. Taft, who had received the everything that could possibly induce expense, sufficient for all the small craft Chinese editor during his western trip, in necessary for such a station. The build- which he says: ings used for exhibition purposes are not fitted for barracks, as they are of light home in China. I have just returned from and perishable construction. The building called the Auditorium is a permanent extensive trips through western and southconstruction and admirably suited for an ern states, where I received a most kindly administration building. If the land, to welcome at the hands of both officials and a sufficient amount (about 100 acres), could private citizens, and where I was given an be acquired by the department and a moderate sum appropriated by the Congress for barracks, mess hall, detention build-The gathering of the crowds today ings, sick quarters and officers' quarters were kind enough to permit me to discuss the efficiency of the service in one of its with you during my tour of the west. around the twenty-five-mile course had pressing needs would be greatly increased. The cost of the land is not known, but before-dawn pilgrimages from New as the exposition company is now indebt- during my tour to find in all sections of ed to the United States to the extent of the country deep sympathy with China, a Long Island, with roadways choked several hundreds of thousands of dollars, universal desire to help her on the path it is believed that the debt will more than "It is, therefore, recommended that the from closer relations between these two

darkest hour which comes before the department take steps to acquire this friendly peoples. dawn. The heat of the start, together with the accessibility of the grand- to appropriate the money for the neces- from the United States, I desire to exstands, made the all-night vigil and sary buildings for the establishment of press to you, and through you to the great suitable barracks and accessories as out-

#### lined above. DRAKE MURDERERS CAUGHT.

Companions Killed Victim.

GREENSBORO, Ala., November 26 .-Sheriff Gewin has captured three negroes appendix curve" just before the cars the other two. He says that he held the The third-class cruiser Tacoma, at the light while the other two negroes killed naval station, Guantanamo, Cuba, has set fire to them.

# Kaiser Has a Bad Cold.

BERLIN, November 26 .- According to

Robbers Loot Kansas Bank Vault. WICHITA, Kan., November 26 .- Rob-



## STRIKERS

GUARDING PERTH AMBOY PLANT AGAINST RIOTERS.

years have spared no effort to promote Precaution Taken by Officials to Prevent Any Further Outbreaks. Conference With Mayor.

PERTH AMBOY, N. J., November 26. With troops patrolling the streets of village today presented an outwardly calm aspect, although the uncertainty of the situation was apparent on all sides. Rear Admiral Pillsbury, chief of the soldiers, and the 1,000 or more strikers be thorough and in good faith. He, hownaval bureau of navigation, has made a kept out of sight. All the saloons of the strong recommendation for the acquire- village are closed and every precaution ment of the land and buildings of the late has been taken to guard against any

their difference.

A conference will also be held between the attack were said to be recovering at

The difficulty of feeding the troops, missary arrived with ample stores.

### CHEERED AND ENCOURAGED.

Visiting Chinese Editor Gratified With His Tour in This Country. NEW YORK, November 26. - Li Sum

"The land of the late Jamestown ex- Ling, the Chinese editor who has been course and acting under martial law, position is well located for barracks and making a tour of the United States,

"I am about to leave America for my United States and China-the idea you

"I have been cheered and encouraged to progress, and a keen appreciation of the mutual advantages that would accrue

nation over whose destiny you are summoned to preside, my warmest and heartfelt thanks.

"I sincerely hope that the very friendly relations which now exist between the two peoples will continue to increase more and more every day. Yours respectfully, "LI SUM LING."

### ORDERED TO HAITI.

Revolution.

Mr. Drake by knocking him in the head been ordered to proceed at once to Aux Leaving the starting line on the with an ax; that they then saturated his Cayes, Haiti, for the purpose of investihome stretch the course leads to the clothing and the bedclothing with oil and gating political conditions and safeguarding American interests. Aux Caves is the Steps have been taken to call a special seat of the revolutionary movement in with Spanish moss the cars plunge into of the feeling, which is running very high. take place in that vicinity between the government forces and the insurgents, under Gen. Simon. Telegraphic communication has been cut off with that part of the island, and the prime object of the a bulletin issued this afternoon from the United States warship is to get accurate new palace at Potsdam the cold from information for the government as to the United States minister, is at Port au Prince, and has no means of communication with Aux Cayes.

The Tacoma is commanded by Commander John Hood, and is expected to reach her destination by tomorrow. She necessary the cruiser Des Moines, at Guantanamo, will also be dispatched to Haitian waters.

#### TAFT GUEST OF INGALLS.

Political Conferences This Afternoon. Senator Fulton's Tariff Views.

HOT SPRINGS. Va., November 26.-No members of the Taft family were with the President-elect today. Mr. Taft be gan his Thanksgiving as the guest a breakfast of M. E. Ingalls, whose dinner guest he is also to be. He attended morning service at the Episcopal Church and then indulged in a game of golf.

Political conferences were held this aft ernoon with National Chairman Hitch-Keasby to prevent the rioting strikers cock, Representative Herbert Parsons of from again attacking the works of the New York and Senator Fulton of Oregon. National Fireproofing Company, the little The Oregon senator says he believes the country is fully in sympathy with the determination of the President-elect to see All the works were strongly picketed by to it that the proposed tariff revision shall ever, believes that this result will be attained without friction in the party. Senator Fulton came here to discuss the

### Railroad Fare Paid.

The Star will refund railroad fare to out-of-town people from the neighboring states who do their Christmas shopping from the following Washington merchants, who are supporting the plan by advertising in the Special Shopping Section of The Sunday Star:

China and Glassware. House-wares Stores, 934 F St. N.W. Clothing and OutAtters. Parker, Bridget & Co., Pa. ave. and Chery & Moran Co., 811 Pa. ave. Department Stores. S. Kann. Sons & Co.. 8th and Pa. ave. Lansburgh & Bro.. 420-26 7th st. The Palais Royal, G and 11th sts. W. B. Moses & Sons, F and 11th sts. Parker, Bridget & Co., Pa. ave. and

Bon Marche, 314-316 7th st. n.w. Druggists' Sundries. People's Pharmacy, 824 7th st. n.w. Dentists.

Washington Dental Parlors, 7th and E Furniture, Carpets, Etc. House & Herrmann, 7th and I (Eye) W. B. Moses & Sons, F and 11th sts. Julius Lansburgh, 512 9th st. n.w. Jackson Bros., 7th and L sts.

Groceries. N. W. Burchell, 1325 F st. Hardware. Wm. F. Bowen, 911 7th n.w.

Jewelers. Berry & Whitmere Co., 11th and F sts.
R. Harris & Co., cor. 7th and D sts. n.w.
Selinger's, F :t.. cor. 9th.
W. S. Tappan, 803 G st. n.w. Leather Goods. Kneessi's, 425 7th st. n.w. Men's Wear, Hats, Etc.

Parker, Bridget & Co., Pa. ave. and Paper. R. P. Andrews Paper Co., 627 La. ave. Pianos, Music. E. F. Droop & Sons Co., 923-925 Pa. ave. F. G. Smith Piano Co., 1225 Pa. ave.

Printers. Judd & Detweiler, Inc., 420 11th st. n.w. Wilkens Printing Co., 11th and E sts. Stoves and Ranges. A. Eberly's Sons, 718 7th st.

Sporting Goods. Shappirio's, 905 D st. n.w. Shoes.

William Hahn & Co., cor. 7th and K sts.; branches, 1914 and 1916 Pa. ave., 233 Pa. ave. t.e.

B. Rich's Sont. Ten-one F st., cor. 16th. Parker, Bridget & Co., Pa. ave. and 9th at 1916 Parker.

Stationery.
R. P. Andrews Paper Co., 627 La. ave. Talking Machines. E. F. Droop & Sons Co., 923-925 Pa.

Tailors. Stein & Co., \$10 F st. Women's Wear. Parker, Bridget & Co., Pa. ave. and Leverton & Co., 1115 G st. S. Kann, Sons & Co., 8th st. and Market Palais Boyal, 11th and G sts. n.w. Lansburgh & Bro., 420-426 7th st. n.w. Bon Marche, 314 7th st. n.w.

Wines and Liquors.

The John Wedderburn Co., 618 F st.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT THEN GOES FOR A RIDE.

Omits Usual Afternoon Exercise to Speak at Colored Y. M. C. A. Corner Stone Laying.

President Roosevelt spent just about an hour in the executive offices early this Secretary Loeb. He saw no visitors, and shortly after leaving his office he dressed and went out for a ride, returning if time for luncheon. His usual time for Leech emphasized the statement that he of bench and loom, and again, after outdoor recreation is in the afternoon, but had never sought the position of public his speech at the corner-stone laying of printer, but came here reluctantly upon the colored Y. M. C. A. this afternoon prevented him from carrying out his regular schedule.

The Thanksgiving dinner of the President and family will be without invited here. guests, and will be served at 7:30 o'clock, dore will remain in Connecticut, where he is employed, and Kermit will not come from Harvard, where he is trying hard to crowd in a year by the end of is running smoothly, I feel that I have his father. But Archie, who is at Groton, Mass., preparing for Harvard, has come. and Quentin has a holiday from the Episcopal High School, near Alexandria. Miss Ethel Roosevelt is at home, and Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth will partake of dinner with the latter's parents at the White House.

## AWAITING MR. HITCHCOCK.

Chairman Stellwagen Has Not Announced Any Selections.

Edward J. Stellwagen, chairman of the inaugural committee, spent today at his announced who will be appointed secretary of the committee, vice chairman or chairman of the various subcommittees, published reports to the contrary. As he chairmen will be appointed and steps will sician. be taken to raise an amount of money, guration events.

Chairman Stellwagen's appointment was made early and he feels that he can take his time and make good and capable selections for the places that must be filled.

### DAVIS' DEATH ANNIVERSARY.

Confederate \ Organizations to Observe December 6. NEW ORLEANS, La., November 26-

By command of Clement A. Evans, general commanding, Adjt. Gen. William E. Mickle last night issued from the headquarters of tife United Confed- is ready to turn over. erate Veterans a general order for all Confederate organizations to unite in appropriately observing December 6, the nineteenth anniversary of the death of Jefferson Davis. Gen. Evans invites attention to the reso-

lutions adopted at the Birmingham reunion by the Southern Memorial Association, calling upon school authorities of the south to make the life of Jefferson Davis a special study December 6.

## CORNELL QUICKLY SCORES.

Annual Game With Pennsylvania Being Played on Franklin Field. FRANKLIN FIELD, PHILADELPHIA.

November 26.-The haze which had overhung the city all morning broke a few minutes before 2 o'clock, the time for beginning play, and the day was ideal for foot ball. Cornell came on the field at Prof. George A. Bartlett, for many years 1:58, and Pennsylvania a moment later. Each team spent a few minutes in kicking the ball in signal work. Within the first fifteen minutes Cornell

scored a goal from placement.

Donnelly Succeeds.

Philippines.

Declares He Quits of His Own Ac- Annual Feasts and Reunions Folcord-New Head Is Old Typo-

The resignation of John S. Leech as A pity it is that the temper of the day public printer and the appointment of suits not the time and the occasion. There

graphical Union Chief.

by Secretary Loeb. The change in the government printing murk and fog and gloom, and in the office is somewhat of a surprise, although depressing warmth of the unseasonit has been rumored at different times, able hour a curtain of healthless mist,

office have come from a number of wind rests in icy bonds and puffs its sources, including several United States cheeks to blow.

President Roosevelt, it is stated offi-December 1, when the change is to take

Organized Philippine Office. Mr. Leech organized the Philippine printing office, and managed it with suc-W. H. Taft, then governor of the

Samuel B. Donnelly, the new public printer, was formerly president of the International Typographical Union. is now secretary of the general arbitration board of the New York building trades, with offices at 1123 Broadway. The President knows him personally and believes his selection will put a stop to much dissatisfaction that has existed for several years as to the operation of affairs in the big printing office. This dissatisfaction was strong during the regime of Charles A. Stillings, culminating in the removal of Mr. Stillings and the appointment of Mr. Leech.

The new public printer has had experience in important executive work and is believed to be qualified in every way for the work. He is credited with having done good work for W. H. Taft in the last campaign. It is reasonably certain that his ap-

pointment is with the knowledge and desire of Mr. Taft. He would naturally not come on here to accept the place, leaving a good position in New York, if he had

new administration. Voluntary, Says Leech. Speaking of his resignation today. Mr

Philippines. He said he was also reluctant about accepting the position, but obeyed the order of his superior officer and came "I took charge of the government print with the Rhode Island turkey as the Mr. Leech added, "and found the estabing office on the order of the President. center piece on the table. The family lishment in a disorganized state. I at will not be all together this year. Theo- once set about to reorganize it, to place it upon a business basis, and to systema-

I have accomplished this and the reor-

ganization is completed and everything

March, when he will go to Africa with fulfilled the mission for which I came In accomplishing these tasks, he says, he has broken down his health, and tendered his resignation to President Roose velt to become effective at the President's pleasure. The resignation was voluntary on his part, he said. In sending it to the President Mr. Leech indicated his willingness to return to the Philippines and again take charge of the faraway printery to which he was so wedded.

"I have everything ready to turn over scourged and scorned, from post to pillar to my successor." he said. "As I have driven, seem to have deserted the remainrendered the new appointee any assistder of the world to hover, smiling and ance I can in the duties of the office, I will be perfectly content to lay down the content, over these United States.

"I feel satisfied, from reports I have received from people who are in a position to know, that my efforts have been successful and appreciated, and that the country home and enjoyed his Thanks- working force of the office is contented giving dinner with his family. He has not and happy with the conditions that sur- other. Today, too, the eagle, insolent and

### Has Refused Offers.

tendered several flattering offers from sacrifice, becomes for these few hours stated yesterday to a Star reporter, no outside sources, but that he has arranged crowned and regal monarch. move will be made until the return from to take a needed rest before undertaking Hot Springs of Mr. Hitchcock. Then the any other work, by direction of his phy-

"Arrangements have been made." to the annual meeting of Congress. Estimates for the next fiscal year have been within the current appropriations." Public Printer Leech did not indicate against future public printers. Mr. Leech says he will remain on duty

charge of the office, and that everything A high official of the government printing office, speaking today of the resignation of Public Printer Leech, said:

accomplishment and the breaking down only a condition, but a blasting curse. of his health, he has resigned. "He was brought here practically against his will, and only came in response to positive orders from the President, owing to his reputation as an or-

out of chaotic conditions that existed

Taft, under whom he served in the Phil-"He found matters in the government printing office here in a most deplorable condition. It needed a man of his ability and nervous energy to complete the task "He worked hard to carry out the President's plans. I believe he has suc-

## Harvard Professor Dies.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., November 26 .connected with the German department of Harvard College, is dead at his home

## Weather.

Rain this afternoon or tonight. Friday fair and colder. Fresh south to west winds.

# NEW PUBLIC PRINTER TIME FOR GLADNESS John S. Leech Resigns; S. B. Giving of Thanks Throughout

the Capital City.

Outgoing Official May Return to Peace and Plenty Compared With

Conditions Abroad.

SAYS HEALTH IS IMPAIRED DEVOUT PRAY IN CHURCHES

low, Then Outdoor Sports That Always Mark the Day.

Samuel B. Donnelly of New York to suc- should be frost, a bite and crispness in ceed him was officially announced today the air, a sun of warming rays and genial smiles. Instead, the day began with each time being denied at the White dank and gray, unrolled no higher than the housetops. But, after all, the There is known to have been some dis- day is what 'tis made. The sun still satisfaction, however, with Mr. Leech, shines, though hidden for the moment, Complaints as to his management of the and only a little while away the north

But today, whether of cloud and mist or sun and frost, by right of proclamacially, will give Mr. Leech his old place as tion and grace of long-established custom, public printer in the Philippines. He left is set aside as the thanksgiving time of this position to come to Washington as the American people. Feast day and public printer. He will return shortly after day of prayer it is, a time of silent retrospect, of whispered thanks and gratitude. The vast machinery of the government rests motionless, the fires are banked, the workshops all deserted. And in the worldfamed centers of business life silence cess. He won the regard and confidence dwells, strange and unaccustomed, the clamor of but yesterday hushed and breathless till the coming of the morrow.

#### All Over the Land.

Over all this fair, broad land it is the same-north and south, east and west, in city and town, in hamlet and village, the doors of church and chapel are thrown wide and people of all creeds pay tribute to the bounty of the past. And one, who, for some reason close to him, would scorn both day and sentiment, observe the feast and lightly pass the prayer should find his argument and answer

both near and far from home. Recuperating and reviving from the catastrophical influence of a panic that rocked the financial foundations of the country from coast to coast and from gulf to border, the nation waxes great in strength and vital power, in influences far-reaching and for good, in ways that make for progress and the best interests morning, dictating to and conferring with any doubt as to his retention under the of the civilized world. Heavy are the harvests, rich and bountiful as never before, won by a prosperous people from the fruitful earth. Enormous are the products clear-aired months that told of idleness and poverty, the smoke of countless mills a cabled order from the President sent to and factories once more obscures the sky. him while he was public printer of the Deep and wide is the minted golden stream that flows to our shores from the hearts of other lands.

### Foreign Contrast.

Compare-and the answer is already written. In another Anglo-Saxon country across the seas the people continue their cries for bread, the sullen unemtize accounts in the office. And now that ployed march the streets in mobs, the forces of the government are shaken by dissension. Over the European continent the war cloud hangs; conditions are chaotic, the spirit of national unrest stalks abroad. And on their gilded thrones sovereigns fret and tremble and pray that the flaming match of discontent may fall from the people's palsied hand and fade into harmless ash ere it ignites the dreadful contents of the old-world magazine. And so it is to circle the globe-the record is not fair. Prosperity and peace.

And so, after the thanks have been said today, there is ample reason for the feast to follow, the feast alike of the very rich and of the very poor, the charity of the one, providing the day's happiness of the mighty, droops his proud head, dejected and forgotten, and the great American Mr. Leech said further that he had been turkey, unfortunate victim of an annual

### Observance in Washington.

In Washington and elsewhere on this national holiday good cheer and good variously estimated at from \$50,000 to added, "to undertake the increase of work fellowship prevail, reunited families gath-\$100,000, with which to finance the inau- at the government printing office incident er for the feast, friendship and affection wait, soft-footed, about the laden board. completed. Work of the establishment is Downtown today the quiet of the Sabup to date. I have kept considerably bath has prevailed, the-shops closed and deserted, the beehives of the government that he "had received a hint from the without their usual week-day hum. Up-White House that his resignation would town, the early morning streets were be acceptable," as has been unofficially thronged and the churches filled with reported, but said he resigned for the reatiliose among the city's population who sons given by him. His friends declare that no such hint was given him, and that the complaints made by senators and true thanksgiving time. And after others were of the same character that church a stroll, despite the threatening have been made against every preceding mist and hidden sun; visits here, and public printer and will perhaps be made there, little journeys about the city for pleasure and for profit, too, that appeuntil his successor qualifies and takes tite may not fall before supply.

As is usual on this annual feast day, the poor of the nation's capital are well provided for. The various charitable organizations of the city, the clubs and so-"He has completed the herculean task of cieties of religious and benevolent trend. reorganizing the office and bringing order all contribute to the feast of the poor and when he took charge. Now, after that of those as well to whom poverty is not Baskets of viands, complete in all save the cooking, were sent to thousands of homes Thanksgiving eve, and for those to whom a "home" is but a name and ganizer, which was well known to Judge dream and listed with the unattainable everything save appetite has been pro-

### Afternoon Given to Pleasure.

There is an interval most significant around the hours of 1 and 2-for the mide day Thanksgiving meal has come to be almost an institution among "just folks" in this town of ours, and the streets this afternoon again were populous. More journeyings of pleasure, more visits, more walks and strolls, with thousands at the theaters, the foot ball games and elsein this city. He was sixty-five years of where pleasure-bent, and in the evenage and was born in Maine. He had a ing the churches will again embrace their civil war record and had been confined in quota of the thankful and devout Thanksgiving comes but once a year, bet